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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby brings the following information to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application, which includes information cited and discussed in the International Search Report and the International Preliminary Examination Report issued in connection with International Patent Application No. PCT/JP03/7504, of which the present application is the U.S. National Stage Application. Copies of the International Search Report (in English and Japanese) and the International Preliminary Examination Report (in Japanese) were enclosed with the papers when entering the National Stage on December 10, 2004. The Examiner is invited to review these materials to inspect the relevance indicated during international

examination with respect to the documents cited therein. The following is a list of the documents cited in the above-noted documents:

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 5-285559, together with an English language abstract of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 1-192429, together with an English language abstract of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. SHO 62-77124, together with an English language abstract of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 5-317990, together with an English language abstract of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 6-15378, together with an English language abstract of the same;

U.S. Patent No. 6,189,361;

U.S. Patent No. 5,848,866; and

Japanese Utility Model Publication No. HEI 4-80614.

Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), copies of the U.S. patents are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

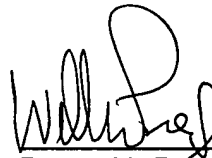
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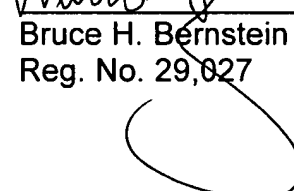
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Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully Submitted,
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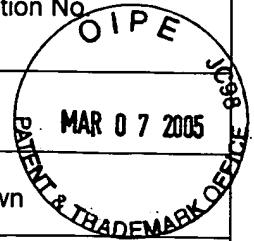

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